UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

KEITH RODRIGUEZ, and others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

-against-

WESTECH SECURITY AND INVESTIGATION INC, WILLIAM VASSELL, and "JOHN DOE #1" through "JOHN DOE #10," the last ten names being fictitious and unknown to Plaintiffs, the person or parties intended being the individual shareholders, officers, directors or managers who qualify as "employers" under the New York Labor Law because they: (1) had the power to hire and fire the employees; (2) supervised and controlled employee work schedules or conditions of employment; (3) determined the rate and method of payment; (4) and maintained employment records,

Defendant.

ANALISA TORRES, District Judge:

To protect the public health, while promoting the "just, speedy, and inexpensive determination of every action and proceeding," Fed. R. Civ. P. 1, it is ORDERED pursuant to Rules 30(b)(3) and 30(b)(4) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure that all depositions in this action may be taken via telephone, videoconference, or other remote means. It is further ORDERED pursuant to Rule 30(b)(5) that a deposition will be deemed to have taken place "before an officer appointed or designated under Rule 28" if such officer attends the deposition using the same remote means used to connect all other participants, so long as all participants (including the officer) can clearly hear and be heard by all other participants. The parties are encouraged to engage in discovery through remote means at every available opportunity.

SO ORDERED.

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ORDER

ANALISA TORRES
United States District Judge